

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claims 1-5 and 10-19, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter set forth therein.

Please add the following new claims:

20. (New) A caster assembly according to claim 9, wherein each pedal comprises a U-shaped member positioned at an end of the locking bar.
21. (New) A caster assembly according to claim 6, wherein the locking bars are rotatably coupled to the frame members of the bed frame.
22. (New) A caster assembly for a bed frame, the caster assembly comprising:
a caster;
a support shaft coupled to the caster;
a support bar rigidly attached to one of the support shaft and a frame member of a bed frame, the support bar being pivotally coupled to the other of the support shaft and the frame member; and
a locking bar configured to move between a first position in which a portion of the locking bar engages the support bar and locks the support shaft in a locked position, and a second position in which the locking bar is clear of the support bar so that the support shaft is free to pivot in at least a first direction about the frame member.
23. (New) The caster assembly according to claim 22, wherein the locking bar is configured to engage a pair of the support bars supported by a pair of the casters.
24. (New) The caster assembly according to claim 22, wherein the support shaft includes at least one flange configured to engage the frame member and prevent pivotal movement of the support shaft in a second direction opposite the first direction.
25. (New) The caster assembly according to claim 22, wherein the locking bar includes a pedal by which the locking bar can be pivoted between the first position and the second position.
26. (New) The caster assembly according to claim 25, wherein the pedal comprises a U-shaped member positioned at an end of the locking bar.
27. (New) The caster assembly according to claim 22, wherein the locking bar is rotatably coupled to the frame member of the bed frame.

28. (New) A caster assembly comprising:
a housing;
a wheel rotatably supported by the housing;
a support shaft coupled to the housing and supported for selective pivotal movement relative to a frame member of a bed frame;
a support bar coupled to the support shaft; and
a locking bar configured to move between a first position in which the locking bar engages the support bar and the support shaft is prevented from pivoting movement in at least a first direction, and a second position in which the locking bar does not engage the support bar and the support shaft is capable of pivoting movement in at least the first direction.

29. (New) The caster assembly according to claim 28, wherein the support shaft includes at least one flange configured to engage the frame member and prevent pivotal movement of the support shaft in a second direction opposite the first direction.

30. (New) The caster assembly according to claim 28, wherein the locking bar includes a pedal by which the locking bar can be pivoted between the first position and the second position.

31. (New) A caster assembly according to claim 28, wherein the locking bar is rotatably coupled to the frame member of the bed frame.

32. (New) A caster assembly comprising:
a caster;
a support shaft coupled to the caster and supported for pivotal movement relative to a ground surface; and
a locking member operably associated with the support shaft and configured to move between a first position in which the locking member prevents the support shaft from pivotally moving in at least a first direction, and a second position in which the locking member allows the support shaft to pivotally move in at least the first direction.

33. (New) The caster assembly according to claim 32, further comprising an engagement member operably associated with the support shaft and configured to prevent the support shaft from pivotally moving in a second direction opposite the first direction.

34. (New) The caster assembly according to claim 33, wherein the engagement member comprises at least one flange coupled to the support shaft.